ಯಾವ ಅನೆಯನ್ನೂ ಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡಿಲ್ಲ ಮತ್ತು ಕೇಂದ್ರದವರು ಕೂಡ ಯಾವ ಅಶಾಭಾವನೆ ಕೊಡು ತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂತಲೂ ಕಂಡುಬರುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಇದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಇನ್ನು ಮುಂದೆ ಕೇಂದ್ರದವರೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕರೆಸು ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡುವ ಉದ್ದೇಶ ನಮಗಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ನೃಷ್ಟವಾಗಿ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಈ ಭಾವನೆಯಿಂದಲೇ ನಾವು ಇದನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಮುಂದಿನ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

CALLING ATTENTION

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Sri S. S. ARAKERI (Bellolli).—Sir, I beg to call the attention of the Minister for Revenue and Forests to the distress caused to agriculturists by heavy rains in Bijapur District.

Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—Sir, with reference to the call attention notice of Sri Arakeri with regard to the distress caused to the agriculturists by heavy rains in February 1968 in Bijapur District, I beg to state as follows:

There was widespread rainfall in most of the taluks of Bijapur District towards the end of the third week and the beginning of the fourth week of February 1968. The rainfall was heavy in Indi taluk being 43.62 mm. and in Bijapur Taluk being 43.8 mm. In Badami, Sindgi and Bilgi taluks, the rainfall was a little above one inch. In Bagewadi, Muddebihal, Bagalkot, Hungund and Jamkhandi taluks, the rainfall was not heavy. There was no rainfall in Mudhol Taluk.

As a result of this untimely rainfall, the rabi crops of jowar, wheat and cotton in certain areas of the district have been affected to a little extent. The damage caused is, however, not considerable anywhere.

As recommended by the Taluk Relief Committees, 70 test scarcity works have been sanctioned to provide labour to the needy agriculturists. In addition to these scarcity relief works, normal soil conservation work ond other P.W.D. works are in progress. These works provide the necessary employment to the poorer sections of the people in the affected areas.

The annewari proposals submitted by the Assistant Commissioners for the current year are under scrutiny of the Deputy Commissioner and they will be finalised after taking into consideration all the relevant factors.

No proposals have been received from any of the Tahsildars for exemption from payment of levy on foodgrains. The several Levy Orders also do not provide for grant of any general exemption from payment of levy except in the case of holders of one acre or less. There is a provision in the Levy Orders for the determination of the net surplus on representation being made by the concerned agriculturist. The Tahsildars are competent to sanction concession in the matter of levy of foodgrains in accordance with the provisions of the levy orders.